(c) whether there is any disparity and if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Humanities Stream in Kendriya Vidyalaya, Moscow

6179. DR. SUDHIR RAY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Humanities stream is available in Kendriya Vidyalaya, Moscow;

(b) if so, whether all the subjects' teachers have been posted in that school; and

(c) if not, the time by when all the subjects' teachers are likely to be posted there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Post graduate teachers in all the subjects are in position in Kendriya Vidyalaya, Moscow, at present, except PGT History for which the arrangement has been made locally. In December, 1989, the Indian Embassy intimated that they did not need a Post Graduate Teacher (History) as the Vidyalaya had only one student in the Humanities group at +2 stage and the services of an honorary teacher were available.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Pollution in Salvasa and Daman

6180. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the increase in the pollution in Salvasa and Daman due to the felling of trees on large scale and setting up a chemical industries there;

(b) the percentage of land under forest cover in these areas during the last five years;

(c) the number of chemical industries set up in the area during the last five years;

(d) the details of industries violating the rules framed for checking the pollution during this period; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for setting up pollution free industries in these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) There is no information on the increase in pollution from felling of trees. However, there is an increase in the pollution load from the new chemical units.

(b) Around 40 percent of the land area around Silvasa is under forest cover. The forest cover in Daman was determined as nil in 1987 and increased to 1.78 percent as determined in 1989.

(c) In Daman 2 new chemical industries have been set up.

(d) Eight industries in Daman and ten in Silvasa have violated the standards.

(e) The Central Pollution Control Board's laboratory has been monitoring the pollution. Show cause notices have been issued to the defaulting units and upgradation of treatment plants have been taken up. Daman has been indentified as an ecologically fragile area. Inventory of all industries has been carried out by the Central Board to indentify the type of industries that can be permitted in both the places.

[English]

Leprosy Patents

6181. SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRIYAPPA:
SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA:
SHRI N. DENNIS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Union Government are aware that about four million people suffer from leprosy in the country;

(b) If so, how much allocations have been made by the Union Government for leprosy and whether all the endemic districts are proposed to be brought under a new regime (course of treatment) in a phased manner by the year 1992;

(c) If so, how many districts of the country have been covered so har and how many are yet to be covered under National Leprosy Eradication programme; and

(d) The target likely to be achieved by the Government to eradicate leprosy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMRIMATI. D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHAR THA): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) and (c). During the year 1991-92 an allocation of Rs. 2400 lakhs for National Leprosy Eradication Programme has been made. All the 201 endemic districts with prevelance do 5+ per 1000 population have been sanctioned Multi Drug Therapy.

(d) The target is to achieve arrest of disease activity in all the cases by the year 2000 AD thereby bringing Zero transmission rate of the disease.

[*Translation*]

Oral Pills in Place of Insulin Injection

6182. SHRI SAJJAN KUMAR:
SHRI B.L SHARMA PREM:
SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA:
SHRI RAM PRAKASH CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether an oral pill which is available in the markets of foreign countries has been developed in foreign countries in place of insulin for the Diabetic patients;

(b) If so, the reasons for its non-availability in the markets of India; and

(c) The action taken by the Government to ensure its immediate availability for use of Diabetic Patients?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI.D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) There is no oral pill in place of insulin the market any where in the world. The oral pill is still at an experimental stage abroad.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.